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On Saturday arriv'd the Mail from Holland of Tuesday last.

From the Paris Gazette, dated Sept. 29.

Bruſſels, Sept. 22.

A Detachment of French Troops, commanded by the Count de la Mothe, appear'd ſome Days ago in the Neighbourhood of this City, from whence were ſent the 8th Inſtant 9 Pieces of heavy Cannon, in a Convoy of 400 Waggons loaded with Ammunition. The Convoy was guarded to Aeth by M. Paſcal, who the 11th return'd back. We learn ſince, that this Convoy arriving at Audenarde, was conducted from thence by the Earl of Albemarle, with a Guard of 34 Squadrons to the Camp before Liſle, where it arriv'd the 13th; and the 9 Pieces of Cannon will ſerve to ſupply in part the great Number of Artillery which are render'd unſerviceable, and of which 34 Pieces have already been ſent back from the ſaid Camp to Menin. The 17th the Count de la Motne return'd with more Forces, and the 18th caus'd the Sluyces of the Canal of this City at a Place call'd the three Fountains and at Wilvorde to be broken, which has intirely interrupted the Navigation from hence to Antwerp and ſo to Holland, whence nothing can now come for the Army of the Allies. The 9th M. Murray arriv'd from the Dutch Flanders with 3 Battallions to reinforce the Garriſon of this Place, whither are alſo come from Germany 3 Squadrons of Imperial Dragoons and a Regiment of Huſſars. The News concerning the Siege of Liſle is very uncertain. We were aſſur'd, that the 7th of this Month the Allies had poſſeſs'd themſelves of the Counterſcarp of the Town; that they were raiſing Batteries on it to widen the Breaches which were already very large; that they had ſet Men to work to fill up the Ditch; that the 10th or 11th they would be ready to give a general Aſſault on the Body of the Place, but that to do it with the greater Security they might defer it to the 12th or 13th. This News was ſent by expreſs Couriers, to Holland and Germany. Notwithſtanding which, thoſe who know that the Allies are accuſtom'd to encourage the People by exaggerating their Advantages and diminiſhing their Loſſes, as was practic'd in their Relations of the Battle of Audenarde, did not give intire Credit to it. And our Surprize was great, when we learnt ſome Days after, that in 2 Aſſaults given the Night between the 7th and 8th, and between the 8th and 9th, the Beſiegers after a very conſiderable Loſs, the Particulars of which are not made publick, could only lodge themſelves on the Saillant Angles of the Glacis of the Cover'd-Way of the Hornworks of the Gates of Magdalen and St. Andrew and of the Tenaillon, and that the 11th and 14th they were driven by the Beſieged out of the greateſt Part of thoſe Lodgements. We have ſince been inform'd, that the 17th the Allies having approach'd the Tenaillon by Sapping, fill'd the Ditch with Faſcines in order to give the Aſſault, but that the Beſieged repuls'd them and burnt Part of their Bridge of Faſcines with pitch'd Faſcines which they threw upon it. This Condition of the Siege after about a Month's open Trenches, cauſes a great Conſternation in Holland and among thoſe of the Allies who are inform'd of it. That Conſternation is augmented by the Advices that the Army of France have paſs'd the Schelde, and have extended themſelves to Audenarde which they have block'd up, to hinder the going of any Convoy to the Army of the Allies, who want Ammunition, Forrage, and Water to drink. They write from the Hague that they are under great Diſquiet there for the Succeſs of the Siege of Liſle. And from London of the 11th and 14th 'tis adviſ'd, that they had receiv'd with extraordinary Joy the News brought by an Expreſs, that the 7th the Counterſcarp of Liſle was taken Sword in Hand: They doubted not in a few Days the Place would be oblig'd to ſurrender; and 4 Regiments of a Battallion each were order'd to be rais'd, in order to proſecute the War with Vigour.

Valenciennes, Sept. 25. The Siege of Liſle is much in the ſame Condition, and 'tis agreed that no Place was ever better defended. The 18th we receiv'd a Letter from the Marſhal de Boufflers, dated the 17th at Night, in which he relates, that the Enemy had made a Bridge of Faſcines in the Ditch of the Tenaillon; that having the ſame Day taken a Review of the Garriſon, he found ſtill left 11200 Soldiers in Condition to do Service, and 6000 Pioneers; and that the Beſiegers were not advanc'd nearer than they were the 7th of this Month. Since that time, Peaſants, and Deſerters who come over continually in great Numbers, have reported, that the Night between the 18th and 19th, and between the 19th and 20th, the Enemy attack'd the Tenaillon again, and were repuls'd with great Loſs: The 23d the Duke of Burgundy receiv'd a Letter from the Marſhal de Boufflers dated the 22d at 2 in the Afternoon: It imported, that Prince Eugene having receiv'd a Reinforcement of 5 Men of a Company from the Army of the Duke of Marlborough, he caus'd a general Aſſault to be made on the Counterſcarps of the two Attacks and on the Tenaillon; that the Enemy were repuls'd thrice, and that the 4th time they lodg'd themſelves on the Angle of the Left of the Tenaillon; that the Beſieged kept Poſſeſſion of the reſt which is fortified by an Intrenchment frais'd and palliſaded; that on the Part of the Beſieged no more than 400 Men were kill'd or wounded, among them M. de Ravignan and the Count d'Angennes Brigadiers, and M. Soury a Swiſs Collonel, but all three of them ſlightly; that the Enemy had on that Occaſion 2000 Men kill'd and a greater Number wounded, among them Prince Eugene dangerouſly above his Eye by a Muſquet ball The King's Army is encamp'd on the other Side of the Schelde, their Left at Saulſoy a League below Tournay, and their Right at Herines; and the Duke of Burgundy has made ſeveral Detachments from it to ſecure all the Paſſages, by which Convoys of Ammunition which the Enemy want, may paſs. The Chevalier de Croiſſy is at Pottes within 2 Leagues of the Army with 8 Battallions and 8 Squadrons: The Marquis de la Chaſtre at Eſcanafe with a like Number of Troops: The Count de Souternon beyond Berkem with 19 Battallions and 20 Squadrons: The Count de Chemeraut before Audenarde, which he has ſhut up by a ſtrong Intrenchment from the upper to the lower Schelde, ſupported by 25 Battallions and 34 Squadrons. The Army of my Lord Marlborough have made ſeveral Motions, and were encamp'd the 24th, with the Left at Lannoy, and the Right towards Courtray. They do not yet want Proviſions, becauſe the Enemy, without having regard to the Treaty for Contributions, or to Sauvegardes purchas'd at a very dear Rate, plunder the Caſtles, Abbeys, and Churches, in which the Peaſants thought their Effects were ſecur'd from ſuch Violences. We are juſt now inform'd, that the 23d at Night the Enemy attack'd a third Time the Cover'd Way, and at the ſame time the Right of the Tenaillon (or double Tenaille,) and the Traverſe of the Left of the Tenaillon, from which they were repuls'd They could only lodge themſelves on the Saillant Angle of the Glacis of the Place of Arms of the Cover'd Way of the Half-Moon, between the Tenaillon and the Hornwork of the Gate of St. Andrew. They hve alſo poſſeſs'd themſelves of the upper Part of the Breach in the Right of the Tenaillon, after they had been twice repuls'd with the Loſs of a great Number of Men by a Mine ſprung there, as well as in the reſt of the Attack, where they left behind them a great many Gabions. They have detach'd 3000 Men with Waggons to load Ammunition which is arriv'd for them at Oſtend. The Duke of Burgundy has ſent Detachments to Bruges to oppoſe them, and caus'd the Country to be laid under Water. The Marſhal Duke of Berwick and the Count de Bergeick are gone thither. The Peaſants aſſure us, that the Enemy are preparing to raiſe the Siege.

HAGUE.

A Letter to the States General from the Lords the Field-Deputies.

High and Mighty Lords,

YEſterday we receiv'd an Account, that the 27th Major Baptiſt of an Independant Company, entring one Gate of Oudenburg with 500 Men, in order to take Poſt there and ſecure the Paſſage of Oſtend, a Detachment of the Enemy of above 1100 Men enter'd at the ſame time another Gate: and that the ſaid Major Baptiſt attack'd this Detachment of the Enemy with ſo great Vigour, that after a Diſpute

ate of two Hours he beat them out of Oudenburg. And to Day M. van Hardenbroeck, who made a Tour to meet the Convoy from Oftend, being return'd hither, reports, that the Count de la Mothe with a Body of 30 Battallions and 24 Squadrons, began yefterday about 2 in the Afternoon to cannonade near Ichechem, Part of the Infantry of our Detachment, conſiſting of about 18 Battalions, ſent under the command of Major-General Webb, to ſecure the march of the Convoy from Oftend; (24 Squadrons of our Cavalry detach'd for the ſame purpoſe, were ſent that Morning, 4 or 500 Men excepted, from Tourout to Hochleden, becauſe they could not be ſerviceable at Tourout:) About five a Clock the Fight began, was ob tinate, and many Men fell on both Sides; but we repuls'd the Enemy above 200 Paces, and made them leave us Maſters of the Field of Battle: The Convoy came ſafe to Menin at 2 this Afternoon.

About 1 a Clock this Morning a Detachment from the Body of the Enemy poſted near Doway, conſiſting of about 1800 Horſe and 200 Grenadiers who were alſo on Horſeback, draughted out of the Regiments nam'd in a Liſt which we ſend enclos'd, came by the great Cauſey of Doway to throw themſelves into Liſle, having loaded on their Horſes about 50000 Weight of Powder and ſome Hand Grenadoes; but being diſcover'd and charg'd by the Palatine Regiment of Dragoons of Witgenſtein, about 125 of them Men and Horſes were blown in Pieces by their Powder taking fire, ſo that the like Spectacle was hardly ever ſeen: 'Tis conjectur'd that about 400 with ſome Powder, might get into the Town; the reſt turn'd back agen, ſo that this Enterprize has coſt them dear enough.

This morning a Mine was ſprung in the Tenaille under the Traverſe, but the Captain who commanded the Attack being wounded, it had not all the wiſh'd Effect, our Men being able only to lodge themſelves juſt behind the Traverſe; but, we are told, Diſpoſitions are made, to attack with 2 Regiments at 11 a Clock at Night the remaining Part of one Side of the Tenaille, which we hope will be done with good Succeſs.

On the Inſtances of the Count de Ruffay, we have granted a Paſs to one Monſieur Galant, Commiſſary of War of the King of France, to go by Bruſſels the neareſt Way to Breda, to viſit the French Priſoners in the Places where they are confin'd, take an Account of their Debts, and give neceſſary Orders for paying them; which hoping your High Mightineſſes will be pleas'd to approve, we remain

High and Mighty Lords

From the Camp before Liſle, Sept. 29 1708.

Your High Mightineſſes moſt humble and obedient Servants
B. van Welvelde.
Graef van Rechteren.
Adr. van Borſele tot Geldermalſen.
F. van Collen.
G. van Roſſum tot Hardenbroeck
S. van Gollinga.

A Letter to the Lord Regiſter Fagel, from the Field-Marſhal M. d'Auverquercq.

Sir,

THIS Morning we chang'd our Camp, having now our Right Wing at the Abbey of Marquette, and our Left at Menin.

The Enemy having Intelligence that a Convoy from Oſtend was on the Way to our Army, came the 27th from about Bruges with 1200 Foot and 300 Horſe, to fall upon it near Leſſingen; whereupon a like Number of our Men were ſent out, who engag'd the Enemy in the Village of Oudenburg, worſted them, and repuls'd them with great Loſs. To cover the further March of that Convoy, Poſt was taken near the Caſtle of Wynendael by 24 Battallions, whom we had detach'd from our Army, and Yeſterday about 5 in the Evening the Enemy with 9 Cannon 36 Battallions and 30 Squadrons began to attack that Poſt, but were repuls'd three or four Times, and put to a diſorderly Rout, our Men continuing Maſters of the ſaid Poſt: Our Cavalry being taken up with ſecuring the Convoy, did not come into this Action till towards the End of it. On this Occaſion we had ſeveral kill'd and wounded, but the Enemy's Loſs is very conſiderably greater than ours. To Day about Noon the Convoy arriv'd ſafely at Menin. About 1 a Clock this Morning the Enemy came with 14 Squadrons of 50 Horſe each from Doway along the High Road to Liſle, every Horſeman having behind him a Bag of Powder of 50 or 60 Pound Weight, with which they had undertaken to break through our Intrenchment on the ſaid Road, and get into the Town. They were firſt diſcover'd by the Dragoons of Witgenſteyn, who immediately gave the Alarm to the other Regiments encamp'd thereabouts; but before the Enemy could be ſtop'd, 6 Squadrons paſs'd into the Town; the Seventh was torn in Pieces by their Powder taking Fire; the reſt threw away their Powder, and made back to Doway.

I remain,

From the Camp at Ronck, Sept. 29. 1708.

Right Noble, &c.
Your Nobleneſs's
humble and obedient
Servant,
AUVERQUERCQ.

From the Camp at Roncq, Octob. 1. Yeſterday in the Afternoon Major General Webb, having caus'd his Detachment to encamp near Menin, came to wait on the Duke of Marlborough, and gave an Account, that the Number of the Enemy who engag'd him and the Loſs they ſuffer'd, were much greater than had been at firſt reported; Deſerters affirming that they had 48 Squadrons and 40 Battallions with 20 Cannon, that their kill'd and wounded amounted to between 3 and 4000; and that in their Retreat they threw their Cannon into Ditches, and ſent for them the next Morning. The Troops commanded by the ſaid Major General, are to continue encamp'd on the other ſide of the Lis, not far from Menin, for ſome Days. Yeſterday Morning the Convoy from Oſtend, which came the Day before to Menin, paſs'd by this Place for the Camp before Liſle. With this Convoy of Ammunition for the Siege, we receiv'd conſiderable Stores of Proviſions of all ſorts; ſo that notwithſtanding the Enemy's Endeavours, by violating their own Paſſports and by all other manner of Ways, to ſtreighten us, we have no ſcarcity of any Neceſſaries.

By her Majeſty's Company of Comedians.

AT the Theatre Royal in Drury-Lane, to Morrow being Tueſday, the 28th of September, will be preſented a Play call'd, The Libertine Deſtroy'd. The parts of Don John by Mr. Husband, Antonio by Mr. Thurmond, Lopez by Mr. Bickerſtaffe, Don Franciſco by Mr. Keene, Jacomo by Mr Johnſon, Sheppard by Mr. Leigh Ghoſt by Mr. Fairbank, Maria by Mrs. Rogers, Leonora by Mrs Finch, Clara by Mrs. Moore, Flavia by Miſs Norris.

This Play is Sold by J. Knapton at the *Crown* in St. Paul's Church-yard, and B. Lintott next Nando's Coffee-Houſe, Temple-Bar.

At the Eagle and Childe in Fleetſtreet, near Shoe-Lane, are to be ſeen 2 Girls about 7 Years old, who are one of the greateſt Wonders in Nature that ever was ſeen, being Born with their Backs fetter'd to each other, and the Paſſages of their Bodies are both one way. They are handſome and luſty, and talk 3 different Languages, can Walk, ſit down, and carry one another upon the Back. Their Names are Hellen and Judith, the former was Born 3 Hours before her Siſter. They are to be ſeen no longer than this Month of September, for 6d. a piece, if any Perſon deſires to ſee them privately 12 s.

Whereas on the 24th Inſtant George Scott, a ſhort fellow, Aged about 21, thin Black Hair, in an old Grey Coat, Robb'd his Maſter, and took away a Horſe about 13 Hands and a half high, of a dun Mouſe Colour, a Black Liſt down his Back, a Blaze on his Face, the near hind Footlock White, and thorough Pac'd, with ſeveral other things of value. Whoever can give notice to Mr. Wm Child at his Houſe at Dowgate, London, or his Houſe near Kentiſh Town by Highgate, Middleſex, ſhall have a Guinea Reward for each.

Loſt a large young ſmooth Spaniel, White, with Liver-colour Spots, one large Spot on his Hip and another on the contrary ſide of his Back, his Head and Ears all Liver-colour except a narrow White Snip down his Face, very full hung, Mottled about the Legs, and a long Tail. Whoever brings him to Mr. John Young's at the Queen's-Head and Rolls Tavern in Chancery-Lane, ſhall have a Guinea Reward and Charges.

Loſt between Buſh-Lane and the Poſt-Office, about 8 of the Clock on Saturday Night laſt, a Blue Turkey-Leather Letter-Caſe, wherein were ſeveral Notes, of which Payment is already ſtop, with other Papers of no uſe but to the Owner. Whoever brings it to Geo. Strahan, Bookſeller, at the Golden-Ball in Cornhill, ſhall have 10 s. Reward, and no Queſtions aſk'd.

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A Houſe in the Suburbs of Oxford, ſeated near ſeveral Colleges, in Tenantable Repair, about 16 l. per Annum, fit for any Trade that has a Dependance on the Colleges. Directing or coming to Mr Thompſon's in Water-Lane, Black-Fryars, over-againſt the Thiſtle and Crown, you may know further.

This Day at 8 in the Morning, at the Angel near Lincoln's-Inn Back-gate, the Books of Mr. Wm Turner Bookſeller deceas'd, will continue to be ſold by Retail at very reaſonable Rates in the fair way of the Price put in each Book, being a Collection of valuable Books in Greek, Latin, and Engliſh, in Divinity, Hiſtory, Law, Phyſick, &c. with a large Collection of Plays to pick at 4 s. 6 s. and 8 s. per Dozen, alſo ſtitcht Tracts or Pamphlets very cheap. The Sale to continue every Day this and the next Week.

This Day, at 9 in the Morning, at the Sign of Lincolns-Inn Square at Lincolns-Inn Back-Gate near the Fields, will continue to be Sold by Retail, at very reaſonable Rates, the Books of Mr. J. Ghantry, being a Collection of valuable Books in Divinity, Hiſtory, Law, &c. as alſo 2 ſmall Parcels of Manuſcripts Sermons. N B. The Price is put on the 1ſt Leaf of each Book. And will continue to be Sold all this Week.

FOR SALE BY THE CANDLE.

On Thurſday the 30th Inſtant, at Lloyd's Coffee-Houſe in Lombard-ſtreet, 11 Pipes of Red and White Lisbon, 20 Pipes of Red and White Oporto Wine, 6 Hhds and Ullages of Oporto Sturn, in a Warehouſe N° 9. fronting the Dock at Brewer's-Key: And 5 Pipes of Red, 4 Pipes of Sturn, and 24 Pipes of White Viana Wines, in a Cellar, N° 4 fronting the Thames at Brewer's-Key. To be ſeen from to Morrow at 7 a Clock in the Morning and at the uſual Hours till the time of Sale. Sold by Tho. Tomkins, Broker.

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